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This is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowability dated November 17, 2005, and the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

The Statement recites, among other things, that the niobium alloy powder comprises molybdenum 0.002% to 50% by mass. The Applicants believe that the "50%" is a typographical error. Support for the 20% language is set forth throughout the Applicants' specification and is believed to be the correct number for utilization in the Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Confirmation is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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